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## beer wholesalers association

Good afternoon Senator Doyle, Representative Baram, Senator Witkos, Representative Carter and members of the General Law Committee. The Connecticut Beer Wholesalers Association (CBWA) is submitting testimony on the following bills:

***S.B. 298 An Act Concerning The Extension of Credit To Alcoholic Liquor Retailers From Manufactures and Wholesalers***

CBWA would ask that the Committee take no further action on this bill.

***H.B. 5427 – An Act Concerning Untimely Shipping and Unauthorized Delivers By Alcoholic Liquor Manufacturers and Out-of State Shippers & H.B. 5428 – An Act Concerning Floor Stock Allowance For Beer***

Anheuser-Busch and Miller/Coors have requested that the General Law Committee “hold” House Bill 5427 and House Bill 5428. The members of the Connecticut Beer Wholesalers Association have agreed to hold the bills as well.

***H.B. 5430 – An Act Permitting Restaurants and Café Permit holders To Sell Growlers of Beer at Retail.***

We support the established laws of our State that define the safety of a three-tiered system -- brewers assure the product and fill the growler, which is delivered by a distributor and purchased at a retail establishment. We would ask the committee to consider the unintended consequences of a proposal that introduces unknown variables in the delivery of alcohol.

Thank you.